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REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the amendment and following remarks. The applicant has amended claim 1 to make it clear that the claim requires a comonomer as a separate component. Support for newly added claims 26 and 27 can be found in the original claims and the examples.

Claims 1-4, 6, 11-14, and 16-25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Booth U.S. Patent No. 2,059,930 ("Booth") for the reasons set forth in paragraph 7 of the office action of November 10, 2006. The applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

The applicant conducted a telephone interview on June 28, 2006. The applicant discussed that Booth did not disclose the comonomer. The Examiner suggested making it clear that the comonomer was not part of the plant oil. The claims require three components (a) a plant oil with an unsaturation, (b) a comonomer and (c) animal feathers. The comonomer is not inherent in the plant oil.

Booth is related to a shuttle cock and the process to make a shuttle cock which is used in badminton. Booth does not teach a comonomer with a plant oil. There is no teaching in Booth of using a comonomer, let alone a comonomer in combination with a plant oil and feathers. Independent claim 26 requires mixing a plant oil, a comonomer and feathers.

Furthermore, the dependent claims are further removed because some of the claims require features not taught by Booth, such as triglyceride, natural fibers, styrene, and acrylated epoxidized soybean oil. In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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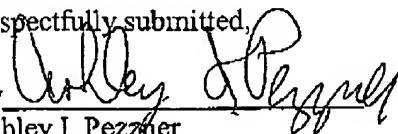
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Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 03-2775, under Order No. 00131-00339-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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